

**Regular Council Meeting
July 22, 2010**

I. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Marse called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of July 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor J. M. Marse, Council members Elizabeth Brannon, Ray Jackson, Earl King, and Charlie Simmons. Staff present: City Attorney Clayton Adkinson, Fire Chief Ben Greenslait, Parks Director Shane Supple and City Clerk Robin Haynes.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman King motioned to accept and certify the poll results for the July 13, 2010 city election, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4:0.

Mayor Marse swore in Council members Ray Jackson and Harold Taunton Jr.

III. Approval of Past Minutes

None were presented.

1. Planning Issues

None were presented.

2. Legal Matters

A. Garbage Contract (New business item #4)

Attorney Adkinson informed the council that he had been notified that Walton County was terminating the garbage collection contract with Dayco effective on August 15, 2010 due to over-billing issues and recommended that the council consider following suit. Discussion among council included:

- What information did the County have regarding the possible over-billing and why was Freeport not furnished the information
- What would happen to the employees of Dayco if closed because of the cancellation
- Why did County not wait until issue researched before cancelling contract

Councilman King motioned to notify Dayco that the City would be terminating their contract as of August 15th based upon information furnished by Walton County and to defer to Walton County to select a temporary hauler until the matter is resolved, Councilman Jackson seconded. The motion carried 4:1.

3. Fire Department Report

Chief Greenslait provided a short update on the fire hydrant maintenance program.

4. Parks Department Report

Shane Supple gave a brief update of programs at the Sports Complex

5. Engineer's Report

No report was given.

IV. Old Business

1. Approval request/Regional Utilities agreement

Councilman King motioned to approve an agreement presented by Regional Utilities to exchange a partially developed well, approximately 10 (ten) acres of property on Highway 331, and payment of \$1,000,000.00 for the City's interest in well sites #7 and #9 in the Nokuse Wellfield as presented, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

2. Approval request/Construction engineering services proposal – FDOT sidewalk extension

Councilman King motioned to approve Praestare Engineering construction engineering services proposal for the FDOT sidewalk extension project as presented, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

3. 1st reading proposed ordinance/No-wake zone on Four Mile Creek

Councilwoman Brannon motioned to approve 1st reading and advertise for adoption a proposed ordinance establishing a no-wake zone on Four Mile Creek, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0. Attorney Adkinson read the proposed ordinance by title.

V. New Business

1. Approval request

A. Budget workshop

Council agreed to set a budget workshop for July 28, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

B. 1st Public Hearing/TRIM (budget)

Councilman King motioned set the 1st Public Hearing for the budget on September 14, 2010 at 7:00 pm and set the tentative millage rate to the roll-back rate of 4.72 mils, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

2. Waiver request/facility rental charges – Freeport Relay for Life

Councilman Jackson motioned to waive the rental fees for meeting room space for the Freeport Relay for Life, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

3. Walton County sewer loan

Councilman Simmons motioned to approve Mayor Marse to negotiate with Walton County regarding a one-time, lump sum payment to the Bay Area sewer loan, Councilwoman Brannon seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

4. Garbage contract (addressed as legal item)

5. Pay all bills in order

Councilman Jackson motioned to pay all bills in order, Councilman Taunton seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

VI. Council Business Not On Agenda

None was presented.

VII. Public Business Not On Agenda

None was presented.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

J.M. Marse, Mayor

Robin Haynes, City Clerk

Earl King, Council President